AGENDA

TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

UTAH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, May 21, 2003 • 2:00 p.m. • Room 129 State Capitol

Approximate Time Frame

2:00 1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the April 16, 2003 meeting

2:05 2. Legacy Parkway and 11400 South/I-15 Interchange Updates

Construction of the Legacy Parkway has been halted since November 16, 2001, by the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver which ordered further environmental analysis by UDOT, the Federal Highway Administration, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Public hearings are currently underway for a supplemental environmental impact statement which is expected to be completed in the fall of 2004. The North interchange work on Burke Lane and Shepard's Lane is continuing. UDOT paid \$17 million in suspension costs and has removed Legacy from the construction contract. The new 11400 South Interchange Project which began July 9, 2001 was halted June 20, 2002 by the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals which ruled that UDOT did not adequately consider alternatives to building the 11400 South interchange or the impacts associated with it. What is the history and status of these projects? How will the \$451 million Legacy project and the \$42 million 11400 South project be funded?

John R. Njord, Utah Department of Transportation

2:50 3. Motor Vehicle Code Revisions

The MUTCD (Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways) is adopted by the Federal Highway Administration and accepted as the nationwide standard specifications for traffic-control devices used on highways. Section 41-6-20 Utah Code Annotated 1953 requires UDOT to make rules adopting a manual establishing specifications for a uniform system of traffic-control devices on highways. The manual must correlate and, where possible, conform to the MUTCD and other standards issued by the federal highway administrator. Recently, UDOT appointed a committee to identify discrepancies that have developed over the years between the Utah Traffic Code and the MUTCD and provide recommendations for changes to Utah Statutes. What changes to Utah Statutes are needed?

Robert E. Hull, Utah Department of Transportation

3:20 4. Driver License Requirements

In recent years, Utah's policy on driver licensing has been criticized for not requiring that an applicant show proof of legal presence in the United States and for allowing the use of an ITIN number in lieu of a Social Security number for some driver license applicants. Utah has never checked applicants for legal presence. Since 1999 Utah has allowed the use of an ITIN, which is a number issued by the Internal Revenue Service for tax purposes to workers who do not qualify for a Social Security Number. What are the purposes of issuing a driver license and how is a driver license used? Under what circumstances should an applicant be denied a Utah driver license? Should the state require proof of legal U.S. presence? Should the state continue to allow the use of ITIN? What policy changes are needed?

Judy Hamaker Mann, Driver License Division

4:00 5. Other Items / Adjourn